

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells glass. Moore's food kills worms and fattens. Fire escapes for buildings at Bixby's. Badly used beer. L. Rosenfeldt, agent. Mr. and Mrs. James McCabe are returning from Mackinac Island.

HUSTLING FOR NOMINATIONS

Candidates for Office Are Preparing for the Fry.

CAUCUSES CALLED FOR FRIDAY NIGHT

Senatorial Contest Complicates Matters Somewhat for the County Ticket-Cummins Puts Up a Good Fight.

The near approach of the republican county convention, called for Wednesday, September 6, has stirred up matters pertaining to the nomination of candidates for office who are out for the nomination for the several county offices are hustling. They realize that between this and Friday night, when the caucuses will be held and delegates selected to the convention, some good hard work will have to be done. Chairman Brown of the city central committee called the caucuses for Friday night of this week instead of on Saturday, as by the call of Chairman Everest of the county central committee, in order to give business men an opportunity to get out and attend the primaries.

Owing to the contest over United States senator the caucuses Friday night promise to be the battle ground between the followers of Senator Clear and the friends of Hon. A. B. Cummins. The control of the caucuses will practically mean the control of the convention, and both sides are working hard with a view to getting their full force out that night at the primaries. The establishment of the Cummins headquarters in the Annex to the Grand hotel has proven a good move on the part of the workers for the Des Moines candidate and the Cummins men are far better organized than they were two weeks ago. The great crowd doing much talking, but are putting in a good deal of hard work, and the primaries Friday night next will, it is expected, bring out the largest attendance in many years.

Situation Somewhat Complicated. The senatorial contest is complicating local matters somewhat as the delegates will be held on Friday night, making the candidates for the county offices a secondary consideration altogether. The candidates for state senator are Colonel C. G. Saunders, an avowed Cummins man, and A. S. Hazleton, who is being groomed by the friends of Senator Clear. Major Courtney of the county is also in the field for the nomination. For representatives, G. M. Putnam, Alexander Oiler of Carson and J. L. Blanchard of Avoca, and possibly others are out for the two nominations.

Next to the senatorial contest the nomination for sheriff is attracting most attention, there being several candidates out making active campaigns. John S. Morgan, the present incumbent, who has served two terms, feels that under the rule recognized in this county, he is entitled to a third term. He is meeting with considerable opposition in some quarters. Captain Lee B. Cousins, district court bailiff, is working hard for the nomination and will undoubtedly go into the convention with a large following. Ed Slade of Avoca, H. B. Crofts of Oakland, N. P. From of Pleasant Grove, and Harry Mayo of Crescent are candidates from outside the city. Deputy Sheriff Joe Weightman is also out for the nomination and, like Cousins, will go into the convention with his share of the delegates back of him. For superintendent of schools, Messrs. Cox and Schoeninger, have completed the plans and they show but very little change except in a few minor details from the description already published. The principal change has been made in the entrance porch, which has been made somewhat more ornate.

Meetings of City Board. The city council will meet in adjourned session tonight and the session promised to be an interesting one. City Solicitor Wadsworth will submit the new form of advertisement for bids for the erection of a municipal electric lighting plant. Several of the aldermen are of the opinion that the advertisement decided on at the meeting of the council last week covers the ground and will oppose any change. The finance committee is expected to submit its report on the tax levy.

Prizes go with Domestic soap. Welsbach burners at Bixby's. Tel. 123. Lowest prices, easy terms. The best and largest stock of pianos at Swanson Music company, Music Temple.

DUBUQUE IS THE MECCA OF SPORTS. Race Meeting and Boxing Carnival Will City with Strangers. DUBUQUE, Ia., Aug. 27.—The eve of the big race meeting and boxing carnival held in the city fast filling with strangers. The hotels are booked to their greatest capacity and the bureau of information, though having quarters for thousands, is likely to be taxed for every room that can be reached. The half fare rate on railroads became operative at midnight Saturday and all today the four trunk lines entering the city have been bringing in the people. Many carloads of horses arrived today, the fast ones that raced at Readville, Mass., arriving by special express train this morning. The indications are most favorable for a week of fine sport.

Advices at the athletic association headquarters as far as sports are coming from points as far away as El Paso, Denver, Cheyenne and New York.

HOME OF THE PUTES. Pyramid Lake and its Remarkable Geological Formations. Not a pleasing summer resort, nor even an attractively pretty place, impressively grand as the scenery of Pyramid lake, relates the San Francisco Chronicle. Barren expanses of sage land immediately suggest themselves to the reader's mind as its surroundings for a Nevada lake. True it is, for the shores of Pyramid lake are slightly by nature in her distribution of fossiliferous strata. The waters of Pyramid lake, however, nestling among the cool Sierra, eventually find their way through the Truckee river to Pyramid lake.

Tahoe, noted as a resort for wealth and fashion; Pyramid, a government reservation for Lo, the poor Indian! To reach Pyramid lake one must travel over parched, scorching country, the dull uniformity of which is not broken until within a mile of the lake; then, as the summit of a low-lying hill is reached, there spreads out before one a vast sheet of rippling water, thirty-five miles long by ten miles wide. Deroed of trees or shrubbery, but saved from monotony by rugged shore lines, peculiar volcanic statuary and frequent storms, during which breakers roll in upon the beach and dash against severe cliffs with a tumult equal to a small sized gale at sea.

As one approaches the lake from the west, there appears a white, conical-shaped lake, rising in startling contrast to the dark blue waters. From a distance the resemblance is to a snow-capped mountain. The name Pyramid lake is remarkable, hence the name—Pyramid lake. As the pyramid is about eight miles from the western shore, a boat must be taken to obtain a better view. Undoubtedly a product of volcanic action, it rises up majestically some 400 feet above the water. Near the base, a white border, deposited from the brackish, alkaline waters, sparkles in the sun. A warm spring emitting gaseous vapors, wells up in a hollow on one side of this pyramid, and from unknown depths below bubbles of the same gas arise.

There is just one point where man may gain a foothold, and only then when the lake is perfectly calm. Peering down from the topmost pinnacle one sees three or four sand-hill cranes. At such a height they are almost impossible to see. The cranes, and the charm of the pyramid is enhanced by the presence of such historical-looking birds. White castled islets, about fifty yards distance, present gorgeous spectacles. The elements have rent and seamed these volcanic formations into beehiving turrets and battlements.

Along the eastern coast there is a constantly changing panorama of fantastic statuary. Points of rock jut out in the greenish-blue lake; white streaks form base lines for dark, gray masses that divide in pillars, which are topped with curious mushroom-like helmets. Grim, hard-fettered knights stand guard, in warlike attitudes, on moated fortresses. There seems to be a consistency in preserving a medieval aspect about the lake.

Dead Man's Cave, recently sealed up by the Indians, has a gruesome history. When this cave was first discovered by white men it had the appearance of a veritable garden of skeletons. Human bones, heaped up in ghastly piles, all but filled this cavern. Whether it served as a vault for the dead Indians or a repository for their white victims cannot be ascertained.

Extending south from Dead Man's Cave the greenish-blue waters sweep in three graceful half-moon bays. Along their shores are myriads of bleached pelican bones, which, with the bones of deer, and other animals as far as the eye can see.

And then there is a "Goat Island," so named from the wild goats that once thrived there. They proved too tempting a prey for the Indians, and have long since been exterminated. Nevertheless, phantom goats—so named by the Indians—were about their former haunts—haunts that are now literally swarming with awkward white pelicans and screeching seagulls. Thousands of pelicans breed upon "Goat Island," laying their eggs in the sand. So thick are these eggs that one cannot tread over the breeding grounds without treading on eggs. The seagulls occupy a point of "Goat Island" some little distance from the pelicans, and here their eggs are laid in crevices and small hollows.

These flocks of gulls and pelicans are wonderful to behold. Until one sees them for himself, a true account of their number sounds like an exaggerated "fish story." Toward the mouth of the Truckee, at the southern end of the lake, the scenery does not present many imposing features. Occasional elevations of volcanic rock are scattered here and there, grand in themselves, but insignificant when compared with the "Needles." These are evidently the culminating product of subterranean forces, instrumental in the beautifying of Pyramid lake. The Pyramid itself is the pre-eminent feature; the "Needles" form also a pre-eminent group. Clusters of spires tower 60 to 300 feet high from a massive foundation.

The Indian settlements are located at the end of the lake, and the Plutes hold lordly sway over its waters. No white man, except the two families residing there, is allowed to place a foot of his own upon the lake. This fact, coupled with the undisturbability of the locality, offers scant inducement to sightseer and fisherman. However, those who have enjoyed the remarkable good fishing here are anxious to revisit Pyramid lake. The fish, weighing anywhere from 1 to 20 pounds, are many trout and afford exciting sport to followers of Isaak Walton. A 300-pound catch in one day is a common occurrence.

Isolated miles of country, embracing the reflection of its own rugged grandeur in brackish waters, Pyramid lake is destined to be admired in stolid silence by the noble red man and widely shunned by fashionable tourists.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Aug. 27.—Omaha record of temperature and precipitation for the corresponding day of the last three years: 1899 1898 1897 1896. Maximum temperature .. 90 86 87 78. Minimum temperature .. 68 69 55 54. Precipitation .. .07 .00 .00 .00. Record of temperature and precipitation for Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1899: Normal for the day .. 74. Actual temperature .. 84. Accumulated deficiency since March 1 .. 231. Normal rainfall for the day .. 10 inch. Deficiency for the day .. 2.60 inches. Total rainfall since March 1 .. 29.43 inches. Deficiency since March 1 .. 126.13 inches. Deficiency for cor. period, 1899 .. 126.13 inches. Deficiency for cor. period, 1897 .. 5.24 inches. Reports from Stations at 9 p. m.

STATIONS AND STATE OF WEATHER. Omaha, clear .. 84 90.00. North Platte, partly cloudy .. 84 90.00. Salt Lake, clear .. 84 90.00. Cheyenne, clear .. 84 90.00. Rapid City, clear .. 84 90.00. Huron, clear .. 84 90.00. Williston, partly cloudy .. 84 90.00. Chicago, clear .. 78 78.00. St. Louis, clear .. 80 90.00. St. Paul, clear .. 80 90.00. Davenport, clear .. 80 90.00. Helena, clear .. 80 90.00. Kansas City, clear .. 80 90.00. Havre, partly cloudy .. 68 72.00. Bismarck, clear .. 80 90.00. Galveston, clear .. 84 90.00. T indicates trace of precipitation. LUCIUS A. WELSH, Local Forecast Official.

FAILS TO FIND TRUE BILLS

Grand Jury at Sioux City Releases Prices Fighters Under Arrest.

ONLY A SCIENTIFIC CONTEST FOR POINTS

Four Men Who Cause Suicide of John Indictments Brought in Wilke Are Indicted—Some Other by the Jury.

SIoux CITY, Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The men who engaged in a prize fight recently in Sioux City and who were arrested for violation of the laws of the state have no more to fear from the local authorities, for the present at least. The grand jury for the August term of the district court in Woodbury county made its report this morning, failing to find true bills against any of these men. So "Australian" Billy Murphy of Cincinnati, Patsy Magner of Yankton, S. D., the principals; H. H. Melver of Sioux City, manager, and the seconds are now no longer under the eye of the court. Their bondsmen have been released and they are free to go and do as they please. But while the grand jury did not indict these men, eighteen others find themselves under indictment and compelled to appear in the district court for trial.

But the greatest interest this term has been taken in the prize fight case. These four men engaged in the ring at Woodland park about three weeks ago and after fighting a little more than one round both went over the ropes in a tangle on the ground. It was a slugging match from start to finish and the police jumped in and made arrests. The grand jury, after examining all concerned waived examination to the grand jury, with the result that they are discharged from further custody. The members of the grand jury declined to discuss the question, but it is evident that they preferred to think with the men who testified that the contest was a scientific fight, but merely a scientific contest for points.

The four men who are indirectly charged with causing John Wilke, a 13-year-old boy, to commit suicide, were indicted for assault with intent to commit great bodily injury. They are Harvey, Clyde and George Huffman, some of a well-to-do and respected farmer, and George Watkins, another farmer. They ducked young Wilke late one night and the next morning the boy hung himself. The case will be bitterly contested, as there is a great deal of feeling in the part of the county where they live.

Others indicted were: A. Kelling, Jr., larceny of a pocketbook and \$40; G. W. Nance, threatening to do great bodily injury upon the person of Joseph Kelten; Fred Perry, indecent exposure; Simon Carlson, burglary of a railway car; C. A. Chisak, assault with intent to do great bodily injury; Frank Budd, assault with intent to do great bodily injury upon the person of Tom Holcomb at Smithland; Ben Williams and Joseph St. Pierre, larceny from a building. Several others were indicted, but the authorities decline to make them public until the men have been placed under arrest.

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Perishes in the Far North. SPEARFISH, S. D., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Word has been received from Seattle to the effect that Charles Deidrick, a former resident of this city, had perished north of the Arctic circle, together with a number of other miners from the Klondike. Deidrick was a prosperous rancher down the valley from this city and about two years ago he went to the Klondike. A year ago his wife died and one daughter survives him.

Interest in Murder Case. DEADWOOD, S. D., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Interest is increasing in the murder case of Eugene Cullinan, in Deer Lodge county, Montana. Thus far six Black Hills men have been arrested and are now confined in jail, charged with the crime.

Forest Fires in Wyoming. CHEYENNE, Wyo., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Forest fires are raging about Laramie Peak in the northern part of Laramie county. The fires have been burning for the last ten days and have destroyed a large amount of valuable timber.

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NEWS OF THE GENERAL WEST. Mining Company Organized. DEADWOOD, S. D., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—This week the company for the new Black Hills Coal company was organized in this city with a capitalization of \$500,000 at \$1 a share. The incorporators are: M. E. Pinney, Deadwood; E. F. Thorp, Nebraska City, Neb.; and J. B. Wilson, Wellington, Ill. The officers of the company are: Simon P. Thoby, vice president; J. B. Wilson, treasurer; M. E. Pinney, secretary; W. S. Elder, Deadwood; general manager, M. E. Pinney. The company owns a very promising group of three claims east of Hill City, in Pennington county, about four miles.

Work at Fort Meade. DEADWOOD, S. D., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Work will commence on the new barracks here at Fort Meade just as soon as the old building can be removed. The old structure will be sold for old lumber this week at auction and by September 10 everything is to be out of the way for the new building. A movement is being made to have the barracks here to the present war brought to this fort to recuperate. The government has decided to put in the new sewerage system yet this season, which will make Fort Meade, without question, the healthiest fort in the United States.

South Dakota Coal. DEADWOOD, S. D., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The Black Hills will be supplied with coal to a large extent this winter from the Black Hills Coal company's mine west of Belle Fourche, about twenty-five miles distant in the Hay Creek coal district. The railroad which was built last year by Spreckels of New York is making regular trips and the company is not able to supply the demand for the coal. The vein of coal is about five feet thick and of unknown width